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REMARKS

The Examiner's rejections are attended to and traversed below.

Claims 15-16 and 1-6 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Applicant has amended claim 15 to be more clear. Applicant has also amended "the corresponding inner rail" of claim 15 to be --the corresponding first rail--. Regarding to claim 1, Applicant considers that claim 1 has clearly recited that the rail assembly does not includes the server and the cabinet. According to the preamble of claim 1, "A rail assembly for mounting a server into a cabinet" indicates that the server and the cabinet are regarded as "workpieces". And "workpieces" can appear in the body of claim 1 (last 3 lines of claim 1).

Claims 1-3, 5-11, and 13-16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Klakovich.

Claim 1 has been amended to disclose that the blocking member of the outer rail comprises a blocking slot communicating with a rear edge of the outer rail. The acting member of the inner rail comprises a protrusion entering into the blocking slot from the rear edge of the outer rail, and abutting a distal end of the blocking slot to drive the outer rail outward. The server can be fully drawn out of the cabinet without the outer rail detaching from the rail bracket. Klakovich does NOT disclose such a blocking slot communicating with a rear edge of the outer rail as cited in claim 1 of the present invention. Thus, claim 1 as deemed by Applicant, is patentable over Klakovich, and should be allowable. The dependent claims 2-6 should also be allowable.

For the same reasons, claim 7 as amended is also patentable over Bodine, and should be allowable. The dependent claims 10-14 should also be allowable.

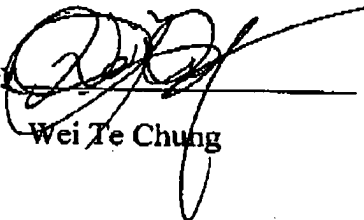
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Regarding the amended claim 15, the first abutment structure which successively urges the first rail to commonly outwardly move is directly formed from the second rail, and the second abutment structure which successively urges the first rail to commonly move inwardly is attached at a front end of one of the opposite side faces of the server. However, Klakovich discloses a first abutment structure (52) which is a button of a spring arm (50). The spring arm is a separate piece which is mounted to the second rail. In addition, Klakovich does NOT disclose a second abutment structure attached at a front end of the sever. Thus, claim 15 as deemed by the Applicant, is patentable over Klakovich, and should be allowable. The dependant claim 16 should also be allowable.

In view of the foregoing, the subject application as claimed in the pending claims is in a condition for allowance and an action to such effect is earnestly solicited.

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